

Accordingly, it is hereby **ORDERED AND ADJUDGED** that the Defendant Estate of Martha W. McKenzie provide payment to Plaintiff Amy Wilmarth in the sum of \$225,000.00. The Court further **ORDERS** that the Defendant Estate also pay Plaintiff Wilmarth the appropriate pre-judgment interest on that sum. See N.C. Gen. Stat. § 24-

5(b) (stating that an award of compensatory damages in a non-contract action “bears interest from the date the action is commenced until the judgment is satisfied”); Castles Auto & Truck Serv. v. Exxon Corp., 16 Fed. Appx. 163, 168 (4th Cir. 2001) (holding that the N.C. Gen. Stat. § 24-5(b) is “unambiguously mandatory”).¹

SO ORDERED.

Signed: August 27, 2008

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Richard L. Voorhees", written over a horizontal line.

Richard L. Voorhees
United States District Judge



¹This Final Judgment does not affect the Taxation of Costs entered by the Clerk of the Court on August 15, 2008. Furthermore, payment of the costs is excluded from bearing interest. See N.C. Gen. Stat. § 24-5(b).